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SUBJECT: US-USSR S&T AGREEMENT: PHYSICS: US LASER
DELEGATION (01.0803)

1. DURING BRIEFING OF LASER DELEGATION AUGUST 25
DEPARTMENT OFFICERS LEARNED THAT DELEGATION MEMBER ELI
YABLONOVITCH PLANS TO CARRY ORAL MESSAGES FROM INTERESTED
AMERICANS TO DISSIDENTS. HE SAID FORMER SUNDAY SEMINAR
LEADER MARK AZBEL INFORMED HIM THAT A SEMINAR SESSION
WOULD BE SCHEDULED SEPTEMBER 3 IN APARTMENT OF VICTOR
BRAILOVSKY AND HE PLANS TO ATTEND. HE ASKED OTHER
MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION TO DO THE SAME.

2. DEPARTMENT OFFICERS ADVISED YABLONOVITCH NOT TO CARRY
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ANY DOCUMENTS FOR DISSIDENTS, BUT HE REEMPHASIZED HIS
MESSAGES WERE ORAL ONLY. DELEGATION WAS ALSO ADVISED NOT
TO UNDERTAKE ANY GROUP ACTIVITY ASSOCIATED WITH SUNDAY
SEMINAR WHICH WOULD APPEAR TO BE ORGANIZED BY THE
DELEGATION LEADERSHIP.

3. SCHEDULE FOR DELEGATION APPARENTLY CALLS FOR TRIP TO

ZVENIGOROD, TOWN 70 KILOMETERS OUTSIDE OF MOSCOW ON
AUGUST 29 WHERE RESEARCH DISCUSSIONS WOULD OCCUR FOR ONE
WEEK. DELEGATION LEADER RICHARD MORSE SAID HE WOULD ASK

SOVIET HOSTS TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO MOSCOW FOR
SIGHTSEEING SEPTEMBER 3.

4. DEPARTMENT OFFICERS EMPHASIZED MORSE SHOULD CONTACT
SCIOFF ON ARRIVAL (PAN AM 66) AUGUST 26. DEPARTMENT
BELIEVES IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE FOR EMBASSY OFFICER TO
MEET DELEGATION EITHER AT AIRPORT OR HOTEL IF POSSIBLE.
MORSE WAS ADVISED EXPRESSION OF HIS PERSONAL VIEWS TO
COUNTERPARTS ON PERSONAL BASIS UNOBJECTIONABLE, BUT AS
CHAIRMAN OF THE US GROUP HE SHOULD NOT ATTEND SUNDAY
SEMINAR SINCE HIS ACTION COULD BE INTERPRETED TO REFLECT
OFFICIAL US GOVERNMENT SUPPORT. CHRISTOPHER

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